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GOOD-BYE SUMMER OF 1896.

In some regards the most delightful of all your predecessors, we bid you good-bye reluctantly. For pleasant days and well nigh perfect nights you have been peaceful. Under the gentle influences of your oft-repeated showers the green has not gone from the grasses of our lawns or the leaves of our trees. Flowers have retained their fairness and fragrance, and those of us who have been forced to stay at home and stick to our work, have gone about it touched by tonic air and flattered by favoring breezes. True the crop season of 1896 cannot go on record as a good one, but the fault we will fasten on the tickle spring, your immediate predecessor, from whose distressing dryness it was hard to rally. We watched your splendid efforts in this regard with admiring interest, however, and we beg now to crown them with our sincere plaudit of "well-done."

Good-bye, cherished friend, and if we are never to meet again memory will not let us forget your genial face or gentle smile. The second race for the "cup" has been run and the American champion is still showing heels to the English competitor. Lord Lipton, however, excites our admiration as he nobly strives for victory and then gracefully submits to defeat.

Major C. H. Smith, "Bill Arp," is dead at his home, Cartersville, Georgia, and we don't know who will take up the pen where he left it fall. He was indeed the one conspicuous "humorous mouthpiece of the South." He made the world laugh but never at the sacrifice of loyalty to Dixie.

The primary is not only Democratic but fair and just, and vive voce is best and fairest way of enforcing it.

Our big brothers of the big dailies are protesting against "secession," and give as reason that the overplus is unqualified nuisance. Of course. Why not enforce the vagrant law of the State and get rid of idleness the State over? The law is plainly written and should be rigidly enforced. We can "clean up, and clear out" if we will.

SIT DOWN AND SHUT UP.

Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan should be told authoritatively to go far to the rear and shut up. His latest is a vicious attack on Mr. Gorman, with whom he compares & giving decided advantage to nothing. He says rather than the name of Gorman at the head of the electoral ticket have that of Mr. Nobdy and leave it to the electors the privilege of filling the blank, with the hope, it may be, that lightning might again strike the Nebraska off-shoot.

It was bad enough in Mr. Cleveland to have deserted his comrades in the hour of battle, but when he did so he had the decency to go over to the ranks of the enemy, put on their uniform and stick close to their colors, but the Nebraskan is bold enough, or rather bad enough to fire at his comrades from the rear.

We have greatly admired the courage and ability of this former robust Democrat, but we have nothing but contempt for his present position of rule or ruin, Bryan or nobody.

IN GOOD COMPANY.

Hon. Wm. Hodges Mann has done more toward closing the saloons in Virginia than any other man who has ever lived or died in the State, and Hon. J. J. Owen has in that great and good work been his most active and efficient assistant. But Judge Mann is the author of no bill which denies to the people of any portion of the Commonwealth the privilege of having saloons if they so desire.

In this Mr. Owen is again in accord with the distinguished anti-saloonist.

Any other position is un-American, un-Democratic, despotic.

Of the people, by the people, for the people.

"News From the Labor World," that headline is often seen in the newspaper of the day, and we have often wondered what "labor world" was referred to. Does it mean to include the "earth?" If so tramps and loafers should be left out, and if it means to confine the world to those who handle spades and picks the reference is altogether too restricted.

Some men labor in sunshine, others in the shade; some work with their minds and others with their muscles.

If Justice Crutchfield, of Richmond, did business in Roanoke, the cow would not have had but one day in court,

Our gubernatorial aspirants have been quiet of late, and that is right. We know who they are, can consider their respective claims at our respective homes and be ready to decide between them in due season. The printed page and the pure election law have about eliminated active canvassing, either by tongue or money "that talks," too, from among the affairs of the children of men.

Quay and Wanamaker have "kissed and made up," but this does not signify that your Uncle Matt proposes to make his future political campaign on John's Sunday school basis—Newspaper News.

Nor did John ever run one on the "Sunday school basis."

A representative Democrat from the State of Ohio, says: Gorman is the coming man. The Herald said so "first," and now everybody is saying so.

The Hearst boom has been launched but it will roost low while the Gor-

man craft will enter the desired haven, favored by favoring breezes and with colors flying high in mid-air.

We heard a fellow man remark that he had no friends, and this is the remedy we gave him:

"A man that hath friends must show himself friendly; and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Prov. 18:24.

Mr. Pulitzer says lawyers are trained for their work, and so do the doctors, preachers, engineers, chemists, &c., and why not the journalists? We see no reason to the contrary, but it will be shown with the journalist when he gets into traces as with the doctor when he gets into the sick room, he will be surprised to know that he didn't learn it all at school.

It is actually modifying to read in a Democratic paper published South of the Mason and Dixon line, that Hearst, the "apostle of Salvationism," had done fifty times as much for his party as a German who shielded us against the horrors of the force bill. We haven't the patience to discuss the matter.

Col. Jim Goode, Virginia's "old man eloquent," delivered an interesting address before the lawyers in convention assembled at Hot Springs on the 22nd inst., with the Electoral Commission as his theme. But for the calm judgment and splendid partisanship of Sam. J. Tilden at that critical period, the historian of the event would have a very different story to tell. And beneath the surface there ran deep and strong a current of compromise, the secret of which is yet to be revealed.

The cost of the Richmond strike seems high, more than a quarter million so far as the figures show, and they don't begin to show all. Did anybody ever undertake to tell this old world the cost of eating an apple on a memorable occasion?

Foley's Kidney Cure is a medicine free from poisons, and will cure any case of kidney disease that is not beyond the reach of medicine. Sold by H. C. Crate.

Remainder of collars are worn.

No such thing as "summer-complaint" where Dr. Foley's Extract of Wild Strawberries is kept handy. Nature's remedy for every looseness of the bowels.

Smoke the "J. M." cigar, Chas. Saleby sells them.

Rich combinations of lace and fur are produced.

Foley's Kidney Cure will cure all diseases arising from disordered kidneys or bladder. Sold by H. C. Crate.

Wash goods at low figures for cash at Fleming & Clark's.

Every other woman carries one of those big "auto" bags.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fail to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25¢.

If you want good bread use "Ovalisk" flour. J. F. WALTON & CO.

"J. M." cigars are hand made, and Union made.

Wide hemstitched stationery with elegant monogram is the thing.

"I had diabetes in its worst form," writes Marion Lee, of Dunbar, Ind. "I tried eight physicians without relief. Only three bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure made me a well man."

These are days for stocks of open hair, starch and stiffness.

Burdock Blood Bitters gives a man a clean head, an active brain, a strong, vigorous body—makes him fit for the battle of life.

The "J. M." cigar is guaranteed hand made. All we ask is that you try one.

Many of the newest traveling wraps have cupchukins of silk plain.

Eczema, scald head, hives, itchiness of the skin of any sort continually relieves, permanently cured. Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

Chas. Saleby sells the "J. M." cigars Try one.

Here is a long white mark for that Albany judge who refuses to naturalize persons unable to speak English.

Edwin Markham has doubtless discovered that the man with the pen earns more than the man with the hoe.

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